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apertures of a tube in the gauge set or a nozzle set connected to a second joint as recited in claim 1. Contrary to the present invention, the Wu '264 patent shows a gauge connected to a second joint and the nozzle set connected to the gauge. Therefore, the present invention is distinguishable from the Wu '264 patent because it lacks features recited in the claims directed to the present invention.

The Examiner states that it is obvious to combine the Wu '264 patent with the Wang '290 patent to achieve the present invention, but the combination of the Wu '264 patent and the Wang '290 patent would not have been obvious as the Wang '290 patent does not show a gauge. Specifically, how can the Wang '290 patent teach deficiencies in the Wu '264 patent relating to a gauge and its relationships to the other elements when the Wang '290 patent does not include a gauge or provide any teachings relating thereto? It would not have been obvious to combine the patents where the elements are missing from both patents. Therefore, the present invention is distinguishable over the combination of the Wu '264 patent and the Wang '290 patent.

The Examiner also states that it would have been obvious to combine the Wu '264 patent in view of the Wang '290 patent and then to further combine the Wang '390 patent to the previous two patents. This argument also has the same problem as previously presented. The Wang '390 patent is missing the gauge and, thus, can not teach deficiencies in the gauge and its relationships with the other elements of the Wu '264 patent and/or the Wang '290 patent. Therefore, it would not have been obvious to combine the cited patents to come up with the present invention.

The present invention discloses a pump with gauge where a majority of all of the pieces are connected by a second joint. In the present invention, the cylinder of a pumping set, first joint, gauge set, nozzle set and base are all connected by the second joint. Specifically, the second joint acts as a bolt that is inserted through the base, cylinder, first joint and gauge set through two apertures in each of the above listed items to finally communicate with the nozzle set which acts as a nut. This allows for ease and speed of assembly. Manufacturing the majority of the pieces in individual form allows for reduction in labor and costs issues. Further, the two apertures in each of the key elements allow for ease of assembly. Therefore, favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has cited the United States patents listed in NOTICE OF REFERENCES CITED as D-G of the office communication mailed on November 21, 2006 and indicated

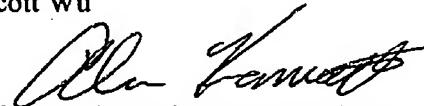
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consideration of the prior art cited by the Applicant. By the lack of application of these references and others like them within the classes or subclasses searched, the Examiner apparently recognizes the clear patentability of the present invention over any of these references.

Therefore, since the claims of the present application have been shown to include limitations directed to the features of applicant's Pump with Gauge which are neither shown, described, taught, nor alluded to in any of the references cited by the Examiner and by the Applicant, whether those references are taken singly or in any combination, the Examiner is requested to allow claims 1, 5-14, 19 and 20 of the present application and to pass this application to issue.

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